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Title : POROUS AND NON-POROUS MATRICES BASED ON  
CHITOSAN AND HYDROXY CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

**AMENDMENT**

Director of the United States Patent  
and Trademark Office  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Action is due September 16, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.